

CLAIMS

1. A security system comprising:

a transmitter for transmitting a data stream;

a camera module, coupled to the transmitter, for taking imagery of a location and converting the imagery to data for inclusion in the data stream; and

apparatus, coupled to the transmitter and the video camera module, adapted to detect a security breach at the location, activate the camera module and activate the transmitter to transmit a data stream including the data from the camera module;

wherein the imagery comprises at least one of audio/video imagery and audio imagery.

2. The security system of claim 1, further comprising memory for storing data generated by the camera module.

3. The security system of claim 1, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a telephonic signal that carries that data stream.

4. The security system of claim 1, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a radio signal that carries the data stream.

5. The security system of claim 1, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a television signal that carries the data stream.

6. A security system comprising:

a transmitter for transmitting a data stream and placing a call to a monitoring facility;

a camera module, coupled to the transmitter, for taking imagery of a location and converting the imagery to data for inclusion in the data stream; and

apparatus, coupled to the transmitter and to the camera module, adapted to detect a security breach at the location, activate the camera module and activate the transmitter to place a call to a the monitoring facility and transmit a data stream including the data from the camera module;

wherein the imagery comprises at least one of audio/video imagery and audio imagery.

7. The security system of claim 6, further comprising memory for storing data generated by the camera module.

8. The security system of claim 6, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a telephonic signal that carries that data stream.

9. The security system of claim 6, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a radio signal that carries the data stream.

10. The security system of claim 6, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a television signal that carries the data stream.

11. A security system comprising:

a transmitter for transmitting a data stream;

a camera module, coupled to the transmitter, for taking imagery of a location and converting the imagery to data for inclusion in the data stream;

first apparatus, coupled to the camera module, adapted to detect a security threat and activate the camera module; and

second apparatus, coupled to the transmitter and the camera module, adapted to detect a security breach at the location, activate the camera module and activate the transmitter to transmit a data stream including the data from the camera module;

wherein the imagery comprises at least one of audio/video imagery and audio imagery.

12. The security system of claim 11, further comprising memory for storing data generated by the camera module.

13. The security system of claim 11, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a telephonic signal that carries that data stream.

14. The security system of claim 11, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a radio signal that carries the data stream.

15. The security system of claim 11, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a television signal that carries the data stream.

16. The security system of claim 11, wherein the first apparatus comprises a motion detector.

17. The security system of claim 11, wherein the first apparatus comprises sound detector.

18. A security system comprising:

a transmitter for transmitting a data stream and placing a call to a monitoring facility;

a camera module, coupled to the transmitter, for taking imagery of a location and converting the imagery to imagery data for inclusion in the data stream;

first apparatus, coupled to the camera module, adapted to detect a security threat and activate the camera module; and

second apparatus, coupled to the transmitter and to the camera module, adapted to detect a security breach at the location, activate the camera module and activate the transmitter to place a call to a the monitoring facility and transmit a data stream including the data from the camera module;

wherein the imagery comprises at least one of audio/video imagery and audio imagery.

19. The security system of claim 18, further comprising memory for storing data generated by the camera module.

20. The security system of claim 18, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a telephonic signal that carries that data stream.

21. The security system of claim 18, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a radio signal that carries the data stream.

22. The security system of claim 18, wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a television signal that carries the data stream.

23. The security system of claim 18, wherein the first apparatus comprises a motion detector.

24. The security system of claim 18, wherein the first apparatus comprises sound detector.